

25X1

25X1

COUNTRY Austria (Soviet Zone) REPORT

TOPIC General Military Information

25X1

EVALUATION PLACE OBTAINED 25X1

DATE OF CONTENT 25X1

DATE OBTAINED 25X1 DATE PREPARED 6 May 1953

REFERENCES 25X1

PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

25X1

25X1

1. On 3 April 1953, about 60 soldiers practiced close-order drill on the streets at the former Bundeserziehungsanstalt in Traiskirchen (O 49/X 37). The soldiers wore red-bordered black epaulets and were organized into several small groups. Soldiers of these groups alternately commanded details. About 30 soldiers marched from the drill ground to the Bundeserziehungsanstalt. They wore red-bordered black epaulets and wore rifles and gas masks. About 20 vehicles were parked in the garages including jeep and trucks. The garage contained six armored scout cars, Jeep driven by a soldier with red-bordered black epaulets entered the Bundeserziehungsanstalt. Five majors with red-bordered black epaulets, 2 majors with black-bordered black epaulets, and EM with red-bordered black epaulets and black-bordered black epaulets entered or left the building opposite the installation. The building was guarded by a sentry with red-bordered black epaulets. Empty reels and reels with heavy field wire lay in the garden.

25X1
25X1
25X1

25X1

3. On 2 April, traffic observed at the office on Hoven Gasse in Korneuburg (O 49/S 30) included: 3 majors wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia; 10 EM with red-bordered black epaulets; and trucks driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets. A major with red-bordered black epaulets and 3 senior lieutenants with black-bordered red epaulets left or entered the Albrechts Kaserne. About 15 soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets practiced with three AA machine guns in the barracks yard where three trucks were parked. The cantonment on the road to Leobendorf was guarded by a sentry with red-bordered black epaulets. Ten trucks and 3 jeeps were parked in the installation. All vehicles were driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets.

25X1
25X1
25X1

4. On 2 April, about 50 EM practiced with at least 4 x 37-mm AA guns at the Prinz Eugen Kaserne in Stockerau (O 49/S 21). About 40 soldiers with rifles, some soldiers also carrying practice targets, marched to the installation. They were led by two senior lieutenants who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Three majors wearing

FS CLASSIFICATION SECRET

612

SECRET

- 2 -

25X1

25X1

red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, and truck [] driven by a soldier with red-bordered black epaulets were observed at the Albrechts Kaserne. Four 85-mm AA guns, 1 ballistic director, 3 trucks and 2 tank trucks were parked in the yard of the Artillerie Kaserne. Soldiers practiced with two AA machine guns in the installation. Trucks [] driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets, entered the Artillerie Kaserne. A lieutenant colonel and 4 majors wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia were seen at the installation.³

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

5. On 25 March, vehicles observed at the Austria Brewery in Wiener Neudorf (P 49/ X 37) included sedan [] with 2 officers; truck [] driven by a civilian and with 5 EM wearing red epaulets; and truck [] with 3 EM wearing red epaulets. The vehicles were loaded with parcels, cardboard boxes and six bales of leather coats. []⁴

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

SECRET